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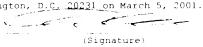
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application mailed February 15, 2001, applicant elects to take action under option (III) in said Notice. A copy of said notice is returned with this response. Specifically, applicant constructively elects to accept the application as deposited in the PTO and requests a filing date as of the date of deposit of said application papers, i.e., January 5, 2001.

In accordance with option (III), a substitute specification, claims and drawing are submitted herewith to renumber the pages consecutively. No other changes to the

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application and drawing have been made in this substitute specification.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any charges in connection with this response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

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